

City of Burien, Washington

Shoreline Advisory Committee

Meeting #3 Summary

July 9, 2008

4:00pm

(1) ATTENDANCE

SAC Members present	Technical Staff Present	Interested Parties Present
Brian Bennett Jim Branson Cyrilla Cook Joe Fitzgibbon Victoria Hall Patrick Haugen David Johanson Emelie McNett Lee Moyer Kim Otto Don Warren Joe Weiss	Mark Daniel Liz Ockwell	

(2) CONFIRM AGENDA

1. The agenda was confirmed

(3) REVIEW AND APPROVE MEETING #2 SUMMARY

1. The meeting summary was accepted as presented

(4) SHORELINE GOALS AND POLICIES, Continued DISCUSSION

1. Shoreline Master Program Public Access Element (Continued)

§ RE: PS 3.3, "It's okay to walk on beach"

- Clarified the comment by a beach owner that they had no problem with people walking on the beach

§ Existing Burien public access goals and policies okay

§ Statements against and for public access at Lake Burien

§ Support for dispersed shoreline public access areas to make it possible for those that live to nearby the shoreline to access it

- More public access points would upset property owners

- *Potential policy:* Modification of Burien Comp. Plan Policy SA 1.4, The City should seek opportunities to develop new public access areas in locations dispersed throughout the shoreline through: a. tax-title properties; b. donations of land and waterfront areas; and c. acquisition using grants and bonds.
- § Idea of making private beaches available to the public on a designated schedule
- 2. Shoreline Master Program Recreational Element
 - § RE: PS 3.1, "Boat launch should be at Seahurst Park"
 - King County had plans for marina here, environmental study dissuaded county
 - *Consensus:* Access for motorized vessels should be discouraged at Seahurst Park, non-motorized craft should be considered if can be done environmentally-sensitive manner
 - Is there some economic advantage to allowing access at the park?
 - § Does Burien have ordinances that prevent the launching of non-motorized craft at swimming beaches?
 - § Combine recreation element with public access element?
 - § Discussion regarding private boat ramps, including possible policies for the removal or modification
 - No new ramps into the tidelands should be allowed.
 - Ramps beyond repair should be removed
 - Low impact ramps (rails) may be ok
 - § Development of rec. uses should not result in a net loss of shoreline ecological function (other goals number 8) is good.
 - § Discussion regarding buoy installation in front of Seahurst Park to park motorized crafts – non-motorized crafts could then come into park for recreation.
- 3. Shoreline Master Program Circulation Element
 - § *Consensus:* Public transportation should provide service to public access locations in the shoreline
 - § *Consensus:* The shoreline, including that part of it which extends to mid-channel, should not be used for the siting of cross-Sound bridges
 - § Pedestrian and bike plan outlines plans for pedestrians and bicycles in the shoreline area

4. Shoreline Master Program Use Element

§ *Consensus*: RE: SAC 3, "Septic Systems and their affect on the shoreline," septic systems should be discouraged and removed, consider using incentives to encourage removal

§ RE: Buoys

- Questions regarding permitting buoys
- *Consensus*: Buoys, in general, are beneficial—however, should develop policy to ensure that possible negative effects on physical and visual environments are avoided.

§ Include language about minimizing commercial boat wakes

§ City should develop policy regarding how to manage the shoreline—especially shoreline stabilization structures—and consider impacts of climate change/sea-level rise

§ Bulkheads should not impact sediment transport to and along the beach

§ City should have development standards that promote the siting of new structures such that they will not require a bulkhead in the future

(5) NEXT MEETING

1. The next meeting will be held on September 10. A draft set of Burien goals and policies will be distributed to the committee well in advance of that meeting for review.

The meeting concluded at 6pm.